# YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

West Michigan Works! and its partners provide free programs that combine employment and training activities for individuals ages 16-24.

We'll match you with a career coach who will develop a career plan to help you:

- Find and keep a job.
- Finish high school or earn a GED.
- Get training beyond high school.

### **CONTACT US TODAY**

to find out how West Michigan Works! can help you:

- 1. Explore jobs and careers with strong hiring potential.
- 2. Prepare for education or training beyond high school or GED completion.
- 3. Monthly check-ins and support to keep you moving in the right direction.
- Improve your study skills and overcome obstacles to make sure you graduate.
- 5. Get hands-on work experience (paid/unpaid) to explore career options.
- 6. **Finish high school or earn your GED** in a non-traditional school setting.
- 7. Learn the **technical skills** needed for a career with paid scholarships.
- 8. **Prepare for work** while earning your GED and occupational credential.
- 9. Discover how to start your own business.
- 10. Get **connected to supports** such as clothing and transportation to help with your job search, employment, or training expenses.
- 11. Meet with an **adult mentor** to help you succeed.
- 12. Connect to other services you might need, like counseling.
- 13. Learn to how manage your money.
- 14. Develop leadership skills.

#### See back for locations and contact information.

Individuals must qualify to enroll. Scholarships may be available. Eligibility may be based on income and other factors. Certain documentation required to enroll, including specific forms of ID and proof of income.





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## YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES (Kent County)

Contact one of the program partners below to find out how Michigan Works! Youth Employment Services can connect you to employment and training activities.

#### KENT INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

2930 Knapp NE | Grand Rapids 49525

**Contact: Tiffany Duncil** 

tiffanyduncil@kentisd.org

(616) 365-2295

- Services available to out-of-school youth ages \*16-24.
- Multiple career coaching staff and locations for services.
- Connections to other programs/services within KISD.
- Multiple partnerships and/or mentoring to support your success.
- GED preparation and testing.

\*Inquire about the Jobs for Michigan's Graduates program if you are currently attending school.

#### STEEPLETOWN NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

671 Davis NW | Grand Rapids 49504

Contact: Emilio Zamarripa

Lauralee Rea

emilio@steepletown.org (616) 451-4215 x108 lauralee@steepletown.org

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- Services available to out-of-school youth ages 16-24.
- Neighborhood, grassroots non-profit organization located in the heart of the Westside, supporting youth in Kent County.
- Seasoned staff to help you navigate services.
- Onsite and virtual GED preparation and testing, and High School Credit Recovery available, in partnership with Sparta Adult Education.

#### **GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF GREATER GRAND RAPIDS**

49525 3777 Sparks Dr SE | Grand Rapids, Mi 49546

**Contact: Elizabeth Rose** 

goodstart@goodwill gr.org

(616) 794-6659

- Services available to out-of-school youth ages 16-24.
- Health care training to become a certified nursing aide (CNA).
- Work experiences as a CNA.
- Multiple career coaching staff and locations for services.
- Multiple partnerships to support your success.
- Mentoring program from a State of Michigan registered nurse.
- GED preparation and testing available, in partnership with Sparta Adult Education.

#### **WEST MICHIGAN WORKS! YOUTH SOLUTIONS**

215 Straight Street, NW | Grand Rapids 49504

**Contact: Cierra Craig** 

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616.490.7330

- Services available to out-of-school youth ages 16-24.
- Located within the West Michigan Works! Service Center.
- Access to WMW! programs and initiatives to support success.
- Connections to WMW! business solutions and employer initiatives.
- Multiple partnerships to support your success.